



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Friday, May 9, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
The Delta Hotel, Winnipeg, MB

Attendance:

H. Azzam	J. Cox	L. Manning	M. Montanti
S. Neel	M. Perchotte	J. Slater	J. Stinson
H. Unrau	B. Wright		

Regrets:

P. Baker	S. Gauthier	G. McLennan	P. Van Caesele
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Staff:

C. Conway	P. Brennan	D. Labelle	T. Mangano
P. Penner	G. Whitehill		

APPROVAL

1) Call to Order

2) Approval of Agenda

MOVED: H. Azzam
SECONDED: L. Manning

CARRIED.

3) Approval of Board Minutes and Conflict of Interest

Board Chair report is missing the Ministerial reappointment of Jean Cox to March 31, 2017. Minutes approved as corrected. No conflicts were declared.

MOVED: M. Montanti
SECONDED: H. Azzam

CARRIED.

4) Strategic Discussion: Provincial Strategic Plan for Diagnostic Services (2014-17)

DSM is currently revising its 5 year strategic plan to clearly align with Manitoba Health's goals and objectives and outline its organizational and provincial priorities. Provincial priorities have been developed in collaboration with key stakeholders. The role of DSM within these provincial strategies, for example Diagnostic Imaging, is an evolutionary process that requires extensive discussion with all key players in the province. A revised version will be distributed to the Board for their comments and/or approval by June 30, 2014.

DSM advised that a key focus in the 2014-2015 fiscal year will be to develop high level performance metrics. Performance metrics will be distributed to the Board at their June meeting for review and discussion with final approvals to occur at end of June.

A draft Annual Report to the Minister will be circulated to the Board for review during summer. The Annual Report to the Minister is due September 30th, 2014.

5) Standing Reports (Oversight)

Board Chair Report

The Chair provided an update on her meeting with the Minister of Health, Deputy Minister of Health & the Council of Chairs where sustainable workforce planning and the Local Health Information Group (LHIG) initiative were discussed. Although DSM is not mandated to coordinate and host a LHIG, partnering with Regional Health Authorities to consult LHIG members on matters pertaining to DSM is an opportunity to consider.

A discussion regarding DSM's 2014 approach to its Annual General Meeting (AGM) confirmed that DSM will again look to partner with RHAs in order to satisfy the provincial requirement of hosting an AGM. This approach was piloted last year and proved to be very successful in terms of engaging with community members and showcasing our supportive role to the RHA.

The annual CEO Performance Review process is scheduled to occur in the fall.

CEO Report

The CEO advised on Alberta's approach to managing laboratory services through private enterprise. Several large private vendors are competing for medical testing responsibility that would see the transfer of over 2000 staff to the awarded recipient of the contract. The contract is valued at over 3 billion dollars.

Quality and Patient Safety Committee Report (QPSC)

No report.

Finance Committee Report

The Committee confirmed that DSM is on track to its year-end forecast previously presented.

6) Governance (Foundational Factors)

Governance Committee Report

The Committee was scheduled to meet following the Board Meeting to discuss the current board orientation process of new members.

Signing Authority Approval Required: The Board approved the CEO to enter into a renegotiated 5-year contract with Roche that will result in significant savings, reduced operating costs and newer equipment and technology that aims to improve turnaround times of patient results.

MOVED: J. Stinson

SECONDED: B. Wright

CARRIED.

7) Board Q & A Session

A question regarding the recruitment status of the University of Manitoba's Department Head of Pathology was posed to the CEO. The CEO advised that the Selection Committee has met and will be advertising the position shortly; the goal is to fill the position in the Fall.

8) In-Camera Session

9) Adjournment

H. Azzam moved to adjourn at 10:47 a.m.

Next Meetings: Friday, June 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at DSM Corporate Office – 19th Floor

Strategic Topic: Performance Metrics. Dr. Dhaliwal will attend the Board meeting as a special guest.